STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

April 30, 2026

Introduced by Sen. CLEARE -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Crime Victims, Crime and Correction

AN ACT to amend the correction law, in relation to providing for an adverse inference in disciplinary proceedings against testimony of correction officers who disable cameras

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Section 137 of the correction law is amended by adding a new subdivision 7 to read as follows:

7. For the purposes of any disciplinary proceeding of an incarcerated individual in a correctional facility, there shall be an adverse inference against the testimony of an officer or other employee of the department, where such officer or other employee violated department rules or regulations by turning off a facility camera or body-worn camera or otherwise prevented such camera or cameras from recording the incident which is the subject of such disciplinary proceeding.

§ 2. This act shall take effect on the ninetieth day after it shall have become a law.

EXPLANATION--Matter in *italics* (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [-] is old law to be omitted.

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